Division of Water Quality Utah Department of Environmental Quality Notice of Public Open House Ground Water Discharge Permit UGW370007 Energy Queen Mine

Purpose of Open House

Based on comments received during the recent public comment period, the Utah Division of Water Quality is holding an open house in La Sal for proposed Ground Water Discharge Permit UGW370007 for the Energy Fuels Resources Corporation Energy Queen Uranium Mine located in San Juan County. Representatives from the Division of Water Quality, the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining, and Energy Fuels Resources Corporation will be available to answer questions about the ground water discharge permit and the mining operation.

Open House Information

Date: Monday April 6, 2009

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: La Sal Community Center on Hwy 46

Background

Energy Fuels Resources Corporation proposes to reactivate the Energy Queen Uranium Mine (formerly the Hecla shaft) near La Sal, Utah. Before mining can commence, ground water will need to be removed from the flooded mine workings and treated to meet effluent limits under a current Utah Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (UPDES) discharge permit. The Ground Water Discharge Permit includes a 1.5 million gallon no-discharge untreated water pond with a double liner system and leak detection, a concrete filter pad, a treatment plant with a concrete foundation, and a contingency pond. The permit requires the operator to utilize best available technology and discharge minimization technology in the construction and operation of the treatment system and ground water compliance monitoring of the shallow aquifer to monitor potential impacts of the mine dewatering operation.

Further Information

Additional information about the Ground Water Discharge Permit may be obtained upon request by contacting Bob Herbert at (801) 538-6038 or rherbert@utah.gov or on our web site at: www.waterquality.utah.gov/PublicNotices/index.htm.

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